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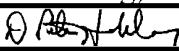
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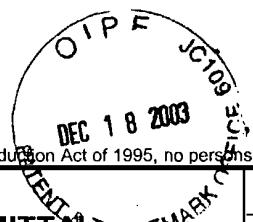
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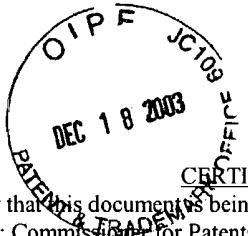
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Reply to Office communication Issued December 8, 2003

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office communication issued December 8, 2003, the Applicant submits the corrected portion of the non-compliant Office action response filed on October 30, 2003.